



**THWACK**

**AKAS-  
SHIII  
!!!**

SPLIT-IN  
TWO, BY A SINGLE  
ATTACK FROM THE  
ENEMY KINTAROU!!  
THE FIRST DEATH OF  
THE NEW LESSON  
IS AKASHI...!!

**CHAPTER 69: I HATE THIS  
PERSON CALLED ME**

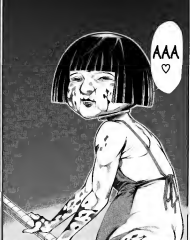
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NO  
WAY  
!!

LEAP!!



AH-

LEAVE  
ME  
ALONE  
!!

DASH



EHH-  
?!!

?!

SHOCK



WAET-

NO,  
NO,  
NO!!

THUD

00/

NOO-  
000-  
000  
!!!

UGH  
...



GET  
CLEAR,  
MEI-  
CHAN  
!!

AKAS-  
SHI...  
?!



H-  
HUH  
?!









AKASSHI  
WAS JUST  
CHOPPED  
TO PIECES  
OVER  
HERE...

COME  
AND  
LOOK,  
GUYS!!



THE  
BODY'S  
RIGHT  
OVER-



WHAT'S  
GOING  
ON?



HUH...  
IT'S  
GONE  
?!

AND...

WHAT'S  
THAT?









DASH DASH DASH

1...  
2...  
FLEE  
!!

WAIT  
!!



YOU-  
?!  
?!

GRAB

HELP  
MEE-  
EEE!!



THUD!!

GET  
LOST,  
DUDE  
!!

DASH  
HOUND

DASH  
HOUND

BUT-  
!!







**I WANT...**



**TO BE  
STRONG.**

**"I WANT  
TO AID  
OTHERS."**



**OF COURSE,  
IT COULDN'T  
COME TRUE  
FOR A  
WEAKLING  
LIKE ME.**



**THAT WAS  
THE FIRST  
AND LAST  
DREAM  
THAT I  
FOUND.**

**THIS  
PERSON  
CALLED  
ME.**



**I  
HATE  
...**



IT'S  
JUST  
THE  
SAME  
THING  
ALL  
OVER  
AGAIN  
!!!

BUT  
I'M  
STILL...  
SCARED  
STIFF!!



I'M  
BEGGIN'  
YOU,  
MAN!  
DO ONE  
OR THE  
OTHER  
!!!

HELP US  
OUT OR  
STAY  
OUT OF  
THE  
WAY!!



I'M SO  
FED UP!  
BEING  
LIKE  
THIS...  
!!!



I WANTED  
TO BE A  
PERSON  
WHO HAD A  
"WILL AS  
STRONG AS  
ROCK"...

SO I  
BROUGHT  
"A  
STRONG  
ROCK"  
HERE.

**HEY, YOU  
MONSTERS  
!!!**

**IF I  
CAN'T  
BE  
USEFUL  
BY  
LIVING...**

**THEN  
I'LL BE  
USEFUL  
BY  
DYING  
NOW  
!!!**

**I'M  
OVER  
HERE  
!!**

THIS IS THE EDITOR, T-YU  
(SUCH COURAGE FROM SHIMURAI  
THE SAME AMOUNT I NEEDED RECENTLY  
WHEN I ASKED SOMEONE OUT FOR THE FIRST  
TIME IN MY LIFE AND THEN GOT REJECTED.  
NO! MAYBE EVEN MORE!

TO BE CONTINUED...



**I'M OVER  
HERE!!**

**HEY, YOU  
MONSTERS  
!!!**

**CHAPTER 70:  
ZERO USHIMITY**

THE MONKEY AND PHEASANT ATTACK!  
WHEN HIS TEAM IS IN TROUBLE,  
SHIMURA'S FRIGHTENED SCREAM  
DECLARES THAT HE IS PREPARED TO DIE!!

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WHAT'S HE THINK-ING?!

THAT IDIOT

**I'LL BE  
EASY  
TO KILL  
!!**

**I'M  
WEAKER  
THAN  
THEM!!**



**ARE YOU  
TRYING  
TO BE A  
DECOY?!**

**SHI-  
MURA  
?!**

**ALL A  
WEAK-  
LING  
LIKE  
ME CAN  
DO IS...**

**AAA-  
AAA-  
AAH  
!!**

**IT'S  
OKAY!  
JUST  
RUN  
FOR  
IT!!**



**SHI-  
MU-  
RAA-  
AAA  
!!!**



**SACRIFICE  
MYSELF  
HERE!!**

**AND DIE  
WITH A  
STRONG  
WILL!!**



**LIKE A BARRON!!!**

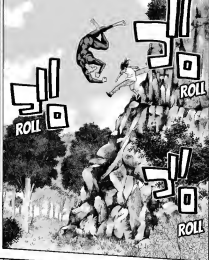


**STOP  
...**











DASH

...

HOUND  
!!



**I REALLY  
WISH YOU  
COULD  
SEE ME  
NOW!!!**

**AS I  
WIN  
AGAINST  
THIS  
DOG!!**



...SEE MY  
GALLANT  
FIGURE...

**AND  
YET, I  
DON'T  
CARE...**



**BUT THAT  
WISH  
WON'T  
COME  
TRUE  
NOW...**



**A  
T  
A  
L  
L  
!!!**









**ROLLING  
SAVATE  
KICK!!**



**THIS  
GUY  
...**

**NO  
DAM-  
AGE  
?!**



**IS  
STRONG,  
HUH...**



**LICK**





**THE THRESHOLD OF LIFE AND DEATH.**

**I'M SO  
ROYALLY  
SCREWED  
!!!**









HM  
?



WHERE  
AM I  
...?

HUH  
...?



OH!  
I GET  
IT...

...AH  
...

MAYBE  
...

I'M  
DEAD  
...?



**I'M A  
STAR  
NOW.**

**"I'VE  
BECOME  
A STAR"**





SPACE  
IS A  
NICE  
PLACE.  
HUH?

I FEEL  
LIKE I  
CAN DO  
ANY-  
THING.

DASH  
HOUND  
!!



IT'S TIME  
FOR THE  
PLANETARIUM  
SHOW...



THIS  
FLEETING,  
YET  
BEAUTIFULLY  
SHINING,  
FIRST-  
MAGNITUDE  
STAR...

FIRST,  
TAKE A  
LOOK AT  
THIS  
STAR.

NEXT IS  
A STAR  
THAT  
GENTLY  
OUTSHINES  
ITS  
SURROUND-  
INGS.

ITS  
NAME  
IS...

...IS  
ROKU-  
CHAN.



AKA-  
SHI.



AND  
LASTLY  
...

THE  
NAME  
OF  
THAT  
STAR...

A NEW  
STAR, NOT  
FULLY FORMED,  
TRYING TO  
CATCH UP TO  
THE RADIANCE  
OF THE  
OTHER TWO.





THESE  
THREE ARE  
COMMONLY  
KNOWN  
AS...

...IS  
KIYO-  
SHI-  
ROU  
USHI-  
MITSU.

TAP



A character is shown floating in the center of a large triangle formed by three bright stars in a dark, starry sky. The character is in a dynamic pose, possibly performing a move.

**THE  
SUMMER  
LOVE  
TRI-  
ANGLE.**

A large, stylized 'FLASH' text is set within a jagged, starburst-like shape, indicating a fast transition or action.

**FLASH**

A close-up of a character with long hair, looking serious and holding their hands together in a prayer-like gesture.

**"ZERO  
USHI-  
MITY."**

**PLANE-  
TAR-  
IUM...**

A series of sound effects 'BAM' and 'FII' are arranged in a dynamic, overlapping pattern, suggesting a high-speed action sequence or a powerful attack.

**BAM**  
**FII**  
**BAM**  
**FII**  
**BAM**

THANK  
YOU FOR  
ATTEND-  
ING.

PLEASE  
RETURN TO  
THE CLASS  
HOUSE  
BEFORE  
NIGHTFALL.

TWO  
HOURS  
HAVE  
PASSED.





GUESS  
NOT...

LOOKING TO THE SKY  
I SEE THE STAR THAT SHOOTS THROUGH  
A THREE-HEADED DOG

I WISH I COULD EXPLAIN THE  
KIDDE OF TOMFOOLERY

BY POET-EDITOR T-YA



THAT'S  
TOM-  
FOOLERY  
...?



WHAT  
WAS  
THAT  
JUST  
NOW?

MAYBE  
...

TO BE CONTINUED...





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IT REALLY  
HAPPENED!  
THE DRAWING  
OF AKASSHI  
FROM MY  
SKETCHBOOK  
APPEARED  
IN REALITY  
!!

## CHAPTER 71: TOMFOOLERY, TOMFOOLERY, TOMFOOLERY!!

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ART BY  
AKEJI FUJIMURA

A COPY OF  
AKASSHI APPEARED?!  
SHIMURA TRANSFORMED  
INTO A ROCK?!  
USHIMITSU WENT  
TO SPACE?!  
WHAT IN THE WORLD IS  
"TOMFOOLERY"?!  
HE  
CHANGED  
BACK 10  
MINUTES  
LATER  
THOUGH...

WE'RE  
SERI-  
OUS  
TOO!!

I...  
TURNED  
INTO A  
ROCK...



THIS IS A WORK OF FICTION. NAMES, CHARACTERS, PLACES, AND INCIDENTS ARE THE PRODUCTS OF THE AUTHOR'S IMAGINATION. OR HAVE I BEEN TOO SPECIFICALLY





WELL  
...

THAT'S  
NOT  
MUCH  
TO GO  
ON.

YEAH.



MEI-  
CHAN.

SHI-  
MURA.



TRY  
IT ONE  
MORE  
TIME.

I WANT  
TO FIGURE  
OUT WHAT'S  
REALLY  
GOING ON.



WHEN I  
WOKE UP,  
IT WAS  
REAL...

THE  
DOG  
WAS  
DEAD.

AT THAT  
MOMENT,  
MY HEART  
WAS  
ENVELOPED  
BY LOVE.

THE  
ONLY  
THING  
I'M  
CERTAIN  
OF IS  
THAT...





ARR-  
RGH!!  
CUT IT  
OUT!!

THE REAL  
THING  
IS SOME-  
WHAT  
LARGER.

REALLY  
?!

WHAP

SQUEEZE

SQUEEZE

SQUEEZE

IT'S  
LIKE A  
SUPER-  
POWER  
!!

BUT THIS  
IS REALLY  
AMAZING!!

UH  
...

HOW  
ARE  
YOU  
TALK-  
ING  
ABOUT  
?



YOU  
COULD  
CALL IT  
"COPY-  
FOOLERY."

GABRIE



"TOM-  
FOOLERY"  
THAT MAKES  
A COPY  
INTO A REAL  
THING...

I  
SEE.

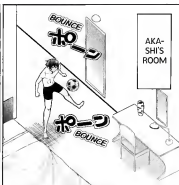
















TOM-  
FOOL-  
ERY!  
TOM-  
FOOL-  
ERY!  
TOM-  
FOOL-  
ERY  
!!!



シーーン  
SILENCE

... HUH.

NOTH-  
ING'S  
HAPPEN-  
ING...



I'M  
HUN-  
GRY.

GRUMBLE

KA-CLACK

I'LL  
EAT  
SOME-  
THING.



W-  
WHOA

THIS  
IS...  
MY  
"TOM-  
FOOL-  
ERY"  
!!





FOR  
CRYING  
FOR MY  
GRANDMA  
BACK  
THEN.

TO BE  
HONEST,  
IT  
MADE ME  
HAPPY.



BY  
THE  
WAY,  
THANK  
YOU.

HUH  
?



WE'RE  
ALL IN  
THE  
SAME  
BOAT  
HERE.

WHAT  
ARE  
YOU  
TALKING  
ABOUT?

IT  
SOMEHOW...  
MADE ME  
THINK THAT I  
WANT TO KEEP  
ON LIVING  
AGAIN.



HEH  
HEH.

SURE.  
IT WAS  
NOTH-  
ING.



LET'S  
SUR-  
VIVE,  
FUKU-  
MITSU!

YOU  
KEEP  
LOOKING  
OUT  
FOR ME  
TOO.





AAA-  
AAA-  
AAH  
!!!



HERE'S  
A TASTE  
OF MY  
RHYMING  
"TOM-  
FOOLERY"  
!!

B-BAM

I'M  
SLAMMIN'  
YA WITH  
"RHYME-  
FOOLERY"  
!!

"IT  
WAS  
NOTH-  
ING"  
!!

NOW  
IT'S  
MY  
TURN!!

THE  
SUM-  
MONING  
SPELL  
...

W-WHOOA!!  
THAT'S  
AWESOME  
!!



THUNK

THUNK

THUNK





THEY'VE FOUND IT! THE KEY TO VICTORY!! I DON'T WANT TO LOSE TO AKASHI AND HIS FRIENDS, SO I, THE EDITOR T-YA, WILL DEVELOP MY "TOMFOOLERY" FOR NEXT WEEK AS WELL! (IN TERMS OF WORK THAT IS ^.^)

TO BE CONTINUED...

## "GRANNY-FOOLERY"

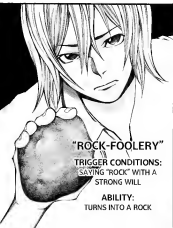
TRIGGER CONDITIONS:  
CHANTING "IT WAS NOTHING  
WHILE HOLDING  
MORTUARY TABLET

ABILITY:  
CAN CONTROL HIS  
GRANDMOTHER'S GHOST  
WITH HIS WILL

何  
楽  
院  
静  
江  
信  
女

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## "ROCK-FOOLERY"

TRIGGER CONDITIONS:  
SAYING "ROCK" WITH A  
STRONG WILL

ABILITY:  
TURNS INTO A ROCK



## "COPY-FOOLERY"

TRIGGER CONDITIONS:  
DRAWING SOMETHING SHE  
LIKES IN HER SKETCHBOOK

ABILITY:  
THE THING MATERIALIZES  
AND LASTS FOR ONE HOUR

THEY EACH HAVE THEIR OWN  
"TOMFOOLERY" POWER TO FIGHT  
WITH! THE KEYS ARE THEIR  
PRECIOUS ITEMS AND THE TRIGGERS!!



## "RHYME-FOOLERY"

TRIGGER  
CONDITIONS  
MAKING A RHYME

ABILITY:  
SHOOTS ICE  
PROJECTILES WITH  
EACH RHYME

## CHAPTER.72: "COME TO NAUGHT"

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TRIGGER IS HOLDING A WOMAN MORTUARY TABLET WHICH IS GIVEN TO FAMILY MEMBERS  
AT A BURIAL SERVICE. IT IS ENGRAVED WITH THE POSTHUMOUS NAME OF THE DECEASED  
AND IS USUALLY PLACED IN THE FAMILY ALTAR AT HOME

SUMMARY: AKASHI AND HIS FRIENDS HAVE SPLIT INTO TWO TEAMS TO BATTLE KINTAROU AND MOMOTAROU! THEIR WEAPON IS "TOMFOOLERY," THE POWER OF GOO WHICH THEY ACTIVATE WITH THEIR "PRECIOUS ITEMS" AND CERTAIN TRIGGERS!!

DAY  
2





I'M  
STICKIN'  
WITH  
YA 'TIL  
THE END,  
SONNY!!

THEY'RE  
HEADED  
YOUR  
WAY.

THE  
ENEMY  
HAS  
ENTERED  
THE  
AMBUSH  
AREA.



ROGER.



COMMENCE  
OPERATION!!!





RAA...



NAA !!

WHAT THE HELL, MAN !!

GET AWAY FROM SONNY !!

UW !!



MEH !!



JUST LIKE A DEMON FLYING INTO A FLAME!!

HA HA! WHAT A TOTAL BONE-HEAD !!

SHOCK...











**GRANNY-  
CHAIN-  
BREAK-  
ERY!!**

POOSH



**IT  
WAS  
NOTH-  
ING!!**



AU













YOU  
SAW MY  
"GRANNY-  
FOOLERY"  
AND YOU  
STILL  
THINK  
YOU'VE  
GOT A  
CHANCE  
AGAINST  
ME?



YOU'RE  
UP,  
FUKU-  
MITSU  
!!



HEY,  
HEY!  
YOU  
GOT A  
DEATH  
WISH,  
LITTLE  
BEAR?



SONNY  
!!

SMACK





K-  
UH-

IT  
GOT  
HUGE  
...?!

FUKU-  
MITSU  
?!











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I'VE  
DONE  
SOME-  
THING  
THAT  
I CAN'T  
UNDO...

FUKUMITSU  
WAS KILLED!  
CAN AKASHI  
RELEASE HIS  
"TOMFOOLERY"  
FOR REVENGE?!

CHAPTER 73: GO FOR IT!

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ART BY  
AKEMI FUJIMURA





AAA-  
AAA-  
ARGH  
!!!

AKAS-  
SHI?!

FWISH



IF  
ONLY  
I HAD  
THE  
POWER  
...!!



GRRRR



IF  
MIGHT  
HAVE  
BEEN  
ABLE  
TO  
SAVE  
FUKU-  
MITSU!!

IF  
ONLY...

YOU  
CAN'T  
EVEN  
USE  
"TOM-  
FOOL-  
ERY"  
YET!!

YOU'RE  
GONNA  
FIGHT?!  
ARE YOU  
CRAZY,  
AKASSHI  
?!!





SEE?!  
I  
TOLD  
YOU!!

?!!

SWAT!!

ARRRGH

IT'S  
NO  
USE!!



TAP

TAP

BOUNCE

WE  
GOTTA  
GO,  
AKAS-  
SHI!!

HE'LL  
KILL  
US!!

DAMN  
IT! WHY  
DOESN'T  
IT ACTI-  
VATE?!

**SWISH!!**

**IT'S  
PRECIOUS  
TO  
ME!!**

**AH-  
WAIT  
!!**

**THE  
BALL  
!!**

**HUH  
...?**

**IDIOT!!  
WE'LL  
GET IT  
LATER!  
LET'S  
GO!!**

**THAT  
BALL  
IS MY  
HOPE  
!!**

**AAA  
AAH  
!!**

**I CAN'T  
FIGHT  
WITH-  
OUT IT  
!!**

**I WON'T  
LET  
ANYONE  
ELSE  
DIE!!!**











なみ  
TUG



HAFF

HAFF



THAT  
BALL  
IS MY  
HOPE  
!!



FIGHT  
FOR  
ME  
TOO!!

RUB  
さす

RUB  
さす

LISTEN  
TO  
ME!!



THE  
TRIPLE  
JUMP  
IS  
MY  
ONLY  
HOPE...

SPEAK-  
ING OF  
IDIOTS  
...

I'M  
ONE  
OF  
THEM  
...



NOTHING  
ELSE  
MATTERS  
...  
SO  
PLEASE  
...

IF I  
CAN  
JUMP  
ONE  
MORE  
TIME...



**AND  
MOVE  
!!!**

**BE A  
GOOD  
LEG...**



**IT'S  
HOPELESS,  
AKASHI!**

**WE'RE  
GONNA  
FALL!!**

**UGH—**



**THUNK**

HERE  
I GO  
!!

THE  
PAIN  
IS  
GONE  
!!

HAIR

I CAN  
DO  
THIS  
!!

NO!!  
STAY  
BACK  
!!

WHAT  
ARE  
YOU  
TRY-  
ING  
TO  
DO?

GOO GOO

IN  
FACT...

BOUCH

**I'M  
AT MY  
PEAK  
!!**

**ONE  
!!**

**FWOOSH**

**BOOM!!**



**THIS  
LIGHT  
?!**

**WHAT'S  
GOING  
ON?!**

**BE  
GOOD  
NOW!!**

**SO  
THAT'S  
IT...**

**MY  
WHOLE  
BODY  
BENDS  
!!**

**MY  
LEGS  
FLEX  
AND  
MOVE  
!!**



WHAM

TWO  
!!

THIS  
IS MY  
"TOM-  
FOOL-  
ERY"  
...!!!



HERE  
WE GO  
!!!

HOLD  
ON!!

WHAT?  
WHERE  
?!

UGH-  
?!



**THREE**  
**!!!**

**GO  
FOR  
IT!!**

**AAA  
AAA  
AAA  
AAH!**

**NO  
WAY  
!!**

**RRRRCH!!**



I...

CAN  
JUMP  
AGAIN  
!!

A  
RAIN-  
BOW!!

WOW  
!!







I'M  
SO  
HAPPY  
I  
COULD  
CRY!!

AWESOME !!  
TOM-  
FOOL-  
ERY  
ROCKS  
!!

ほー  
う  
やーん

W-  
WE'RE  
SAVED  
...

THANK  
YOU,  
YAE-  
CHAN!



...



IF  
ONLY I  
COULD  
HAVE  
USED  
"TOM-  
FOOLERY"  
!!!

I'M  
SOR-  
RY...

I  
COULDN'T  
SAVE  
FUKU-  
MITSU...

AH  
...



IF  
SOMEONE  
LIKE ME  
CAN USE  
TOM-  
FOOLERY,  
THEN YOU  
DEFINITELY  
CAN!

AND...

NO ONE  
COULD'VE  
GUESSED  
THAT THE  
BEAR  
WOULD  
GET HUGE.

WHAT  
HAPPENED  
TO FUKU-  
MITSU  
WASN'T  
YOUR FAULT!



TWO HOURS HAVE PASSED AND  
DAY 2 OF "DEMON EXTERMINATION"  
HAS ENDED



THIS IS THE EDITOR, T-YAI MITSUKUNI LOOKS JUST LIKE ME WHEN I GOT ATTACKED BY EVERYONE IN CLASS WITH MUD BALLS! CAN HE RECOVER?



TO BE CONTINUED...

ONE  
HOUR  
EARLIER

MITSUKUNI IS THE ONLY ONE  
FROM THE MOMOTAROU  
TEAM TO COME BACK!!  
WHAT IN THE WORLD  
HAPPENED?! THE TEAM  
VERSUS THE MONKEY!!

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ARE  
YOU  
READY  
?

CRANKY  
BABY  
MONKEY?

THERE  
HE IS  
!!

LEAVE  
IT TO  
ME!

IT'S  
THE  
MAIN  
EVENT

CHAPTER 74:  
MITSUKUNI PRESENTS... ♪

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ART BY  
AKEJI FUTIMURA



SUMMARY. AKASHI AND THE KINTAROU TEAM RETURN AFTER FUKUMITSU WAS KILLED AND YAE FOUND HER "JUMP-FOOLERY." BUT WHEN THEY GO BACK TO THE HOUSE, MITSUKUNI IS THERE ALL ALONE! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE MOMOTAROU TEAM?!





SCREECH

CAN'T YOU DO ANYTHING ON YOUR OWN?!

MON-KEY!

FLAP

FLAP

FLAP

AAAAH!

MOMO-TAROU ?!

?!

?!

I'LL BRING YA DOWN TOGETHER LIKE BIRDS OF A FEATHER, YO!!

HA!

CHOMP

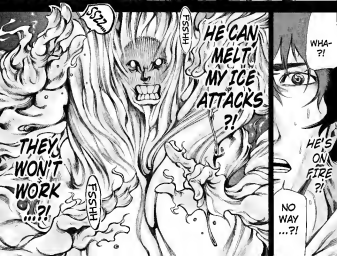
EAT THIS!



HAVE A  
KIBI  
DANGO.

奇火団子

桃





THIS  
GUY'S  
TOUGH  
!!!





LET  
HIM  
GO  
!!!



HEY!  
SHI-  
MURA  
?!



STOP  
!!!



SCREECH



THIS  
IS NO  
TIME TO  
WORRY  
ABOUT  
OTHER  
PEOPLE  
!!







BIG  
MIS-  
TAKE.



HEY! NOT  
LOOKING  
WHERE  
YOU'RE  
GOING?

ROAR

WE'LL  
ALL GO  
BACK TO  
THE HOUSE  
WHEN  
IT'S  
OVER!!



HUR-  
RY!!

STAY  
ALIVE,  
MITSU-  
KUNI!!

ROAR

BOOM



DAWN  
!!

I'M  
SORRY,  
EVERY-  
ONE!!



I'M  
SOR-  
RY...



I KNOW  
I SHOULD  
HAVE  
FOUGHT...

SO I  
JUST  
WANDERED  
BACK  
HERE ALL  
ALONE...

BUT MY  
"TOM-  
FOOLERY"  
WAS NO  
MATCH FOR  
HIM...



HIDING  
SOME-  
WHERE  
ON THE  
ISLAND...

...OR  
THEY...

I  
DON'T  
KNOW  
...

THEY  
HAVEN'T  
COME BACK  
YET, SO  
THEY  
COULD  
BE...



...  
THAT  
CAN'T  
BE...

SO  
THE  
OTHER  
THREE  
...?



HLIH  
?

NO  
WAY  
?!

COULD  
ALL BE  
DEAD...

I'M  
SORRY  
...

UGH  
...







AND YOU  
THINK IT'LL  
SOMEHOW  
WORK OUT  
IF WE JUST  
TRUST THEM?  
HOW STUPID  
ARE YOU?!

I DIDN'T  
WANNA SAY  
IT, BUT  
NO MATTER  
HOW YOU  
THINK ABOUT  
IT, THERE'S  
NO WAY THE  
THREE OF  
THEM ARE  
OKAY!!



THEN  
DON'T  
GO  
ACTING  
LIKE  
YOU'RE  
THE  
LEADER  
!!

YOU'RE  
JUST SOME  
JERK WHO  
CAN'T  
EVEN USE  
"TOM-  
FOOLERY"  
!!!



HUH  
?!

THAT'S  
NOT  
WHAT  
I...

OH, AND  
ARE YOU  
ABLE  
TO USE  
"TOM-  
FOOL-  
ERY"  
YET?



AH  
?!

NO  
...  
IT'S  
...



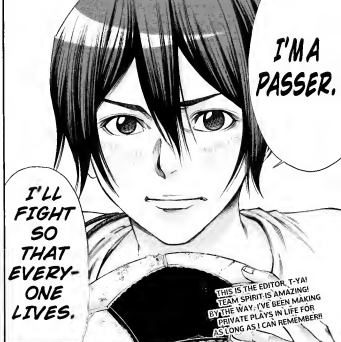












**DAY 3 OF "DEMON EXTERMINATION" BEGINS...**

**TO BE CONTINUED...**



# AS-THE-GODS-WILL

THE SECOND SERIES

IT'S  
TIME FOR  
DEMON  
EXTERMI-  
NATION.

THE  
GATES  
WILL  
OPEN  
SOON.

## CHAPTER 75: DID MY RHYMES GET THROUGH?

UGH...

DAY 3 OF DEMON  
EXTERMINATION BEGINS!  
USHIMITSU AND  
SHIMURA ARE ALIVE!!!!

MORN-  
ING...?

THANK  
GOODNESS,  
YOU'RE  
AWAKE!!  
GOOD  
MORNING,  
USHIMITSU-  
KUN.

WRITTEN BY  
MUNEYUKI KANESHIRO

ART BY  
AKEJI FUJIMURA

SUMMARY: WHEN MATSUOKA IS THE ONLY ONE TO RETURN, AKASHI AND MATSUOKA HAVE A FIGHT (NOTHING THE FATE OF THE OTHER MOMOTAROU TEAM MEMBERS, HOWEVER, THEY ARE OFTEN BRING UP QUOTE BY THEIR BELIEF THAT EVERYONE IS ALIVE. HAS AKASHI FOUND THE KEY TO HIS "GOODBOY"?)

YOU  
SAVED  
ME...?

I- I  
SAVED  
YOU!!

YOU  
WERE  
UNCON-  
SCIOUS  
...

YES  
...

WHERE  
ARE  
WE?

YES-  
TERDAY,  
WHAT...

AND  
THEN...

SO I JUMPED  
UP, TRYING TO  
SAVE YOU...

WE  
TURNED  
INTO A  
ROCK  
TOGETH-  
ER...

ROCK  
!!!





I  
REALLY  
ADMIRE  
YOU!!

I WANT  
TO BE  
LIKE YOU,  
USHI-  
MITSU-  
KUN!!



GWAH-  
!!

WHACK!!

BAM.



THEN I'M  
THINKING  
THAT...

HUH...  
WHY'D  
HE HIT  
ME?

IF IT'S  
A FACT  
THAT BOTH  
OF US  
ACTUALLY  
TURNED  
INTO A  
ROCK...

WHAT  
I  
WANT  
TO  
KNOW  
IS...

ABOUT  
WHAT  
YOU  
SAID  
HAPPEN-  
ED YES-  
TERDAY.





THIS STUFF  
IS 20,000  
TIMES AS  
STRONG AS  
REGULAR  
ICE AND IT'S  
EVEN HEAT  
RESISTANT.

I TRIED  
FORMING IT  
ON A METAL  
BAT THAT MET  
MADE WITH  
HER "TOM-  
FOOLERY."



YOU  
TAKE  
IT,  
AKASHI.



A GUY LIKE  
YOU WHO  
CAN'T USE  
"TOMFOOLERY"  
NEEDS A  
WEAPON,  
RIGHT?

HUIH?  
?



"PERMA-  
NENT  
CRYSTAL"  
!!



YOU  
GOTTA  
STAY  
ALIVE,  
BRO  
♪

HEY!!

WHADDA  
YA MEAN  
BY THAT,  
YOU  
JERK!!

**OPEN...**

THEY'RE  
COUNT-  
ING ON  
YOU!!

NATSU-  
MEGU  
AND THE  
OTHERS  
HAVE  
GOTTA BE  
ALIVE!

STAY  
ALIVE,  
GUYS!!

RIGHT.

TODAY,  
LET'S  
END  
THIS!!

OKAY  
!!

**...THE  
GATES!!**

OH,  
YEAH  
!!







BUT I  
WON'T  
RUN  
AWAY  
AGAIN  
!!!



GO!!



2 COMBOS!!

1 COMBO!!

FOR  
ME,  
TODAY  
IS A  
BRAND  
NEW  
DAY

YES-  
TER-  
DAY

IS  
FAR  
AWAY



GO-  
RILLA  
...



3 COMBOS!!

MY "TOM-  
FOOLERY"  
WILL EVOLVE  
WHILE YOUR  
FLAMES WILL  
DISSOLVE.

4 COMBOS!!

A BRAND  
NEW ME  
IS READY  
TO PLAY.



SHOULDER!!

SIZZLE!!

FOR  
THEM, I  
WANNA  
**BELIEVE**  
THERE'S  
NO  
NEED TO  
**GRIEVE!!**

7 COMBOS!

WAOO!!

PERMANENT  
**CRYSTAL**  
IS A  
FIRST  
CLASS  
**SKILL!!**

5 COMBOS!

THIS  
POWER'S  
GONNA  
SAVE MY  
TEAM!!  
THAT'S MY  
**SCHEME!!**

6 COMBOS!

8 COMBOS!

THANKS  
TO THAT,  
I GOT  
OUT OF  
MY RUT!!

9 COMBOS!

YESTERDAY  
I FOUGHT  
WITH  
AKASHI!!

FRIENDS  
GIVE  
YOU THE  
RIGHT TO  
**DISAGREE!!**

YES,  
IT'S  
TRUE  
THAT  
I RAN  
AWAY,  
BUT...

10 COMBOS!



THANKS  
TO YOU,  
I WAS  
ABLE TO  
BECOME  
STRONGER  
!!



I'VE  
GOT TO  
WIN  
HERE!  
IT'S MY  
TENNO-  
ZANI!!

COOL ♪

COOL ♪

BE COOL ♪

\*TENNOZANI OR MOUNT TENNO  
HOSTED THE BATTLE OF KANAZAWA

FLOOM...

LIKE  
A CRY-  
STAL,  
SHINE  
ON!!!

A  
DISTANT  
MOUNTAIN  
PEAK!!

KA-SHING

I'LL FIGHT  
SO THAT  
EVERYONE  
LIVES.

I'M A  
PASSER.

I  
CERTAINLY  
GOT YOUR  
PASS!!

AAAAAHH!!



**BOOM**

**I'LL  
SCORE**

ooo

**THE  
GOAL  
!!**

**!!**

KA-BOOM

?!!



MITSU  
...  
KUNI  
...



NATSU-MEGU  
AND MITSU-  
KUNI MUST  
BE ALIVE  
AFTER ALL  
!!

IT  
CAME  
FROM  
THE  
GATE!!

WHAT  
WAS  
THAT?



MITSU-  
KUNI  
...?!



HI!!  
DASH!!



AH-  
!!



MI-  
TSU-  
KUNI  
!!

WHAT  
HAPPENED  
...?!  
MITSU-  
KUNI...?!



MITSU-  
KUNI...

SHI-  
MU...  
RA...

DON'T  
DIE!!









EH...?



HEY  
...

MITSU  
...  
KUNI  
...?



AH...

NO...



REST  
IN  
PEACE,  
MITSU-  
KUNI.

MITSU-  
KUNI  
...!!



WHA-  
?!

WHAT'S  
THAT  
?!

...

DOG-  
MEGU  
...?!

THIS IS THE  
EDITOR, T. YAU  
IF I HAD TO CHOOSE  
I'D WANT TO BE TURNED  
INTO A DOG, BUT  
THAT'S STILL TERRIBLE.  
MOMOTANDU?  
TURNING PEOPLE  
INTO DOGS!  
SO YOU HAVE  
THIS POWER!

TO BE CONTINUED...

## CHAPTER 76: STARGAZER



**SHIMAMUNE:** SPLITTING OFF FROM ARASHI'S GROUP, WITHDRAWING HEADS TO THE DEEPER ISLAND ABOVE. STILL ASSOCIATION WITH MISSING FRIENDS, HE SPACES OUT WITH THE GOMALAI BUT SUDOUBI USES A TONGUE-SUCKING TECHNIQUE THAT PUTS HIS OWN LIFE AT RISK IN BATTLE. AND WHILE HE DEFEATS THE GO-RILLA, HE FALLS AS WELL. NOW, IT'S JUST USHIMATSU, SHAMISA AND DOG-AM-ESHI WHO ARE LEFT TO CHALLENGE THE REMAINING ENEMIES!





WHAT'S THIS?

YOU UNDERSTAND YOUR SITUATION QUITE WELL.

機美



YOUR WEAK TOM-FOOLERY WON'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST HIM.

IF YOU GET CAUGHT, YOU'LL END UP JUST LIKE NATSUMEGU AND GET TURNED INTO A MONKEY OR SOMETHING.

STRETCH STRETCH

DON'T EVEN TRY.

\*BACK: MILLET DUMPLINGS OR KIDS DANGO. IN THIS CASE, THE KANJI IS A PUN FOR "IDEAL/PERFECT TIMING."

AND YOU...

STRETCH STRETCH

I WANT TO TURN INTO A STAR ONCE AGAIN.



WILL BECOME A STAR-GAZER!



HERE!

トーン

TOSS



THE  
REVENGER,  
USHIMITSU  
!!!

KEEEEEEN!!



WAIT,  
USHI-  
MITSU-  
KUN!!



I'LL  
REENACT  
IT!!

DO YOU  
EVEN KNOW  
WHAT YOUR  
TOMFOOLERY'S  
ACTIVATION  
TRIGGER IS?!



**BE FAPPY!!**

(I ALREADY HAVE ONE.)

**AND I'LL  
BE SENT  
INTO SPACE  
AFTER I SAY  
THE MAGIC  
WORDS!!!**

JUST  
LIKE  
THAT  
TIME  
!!!

COWS

KA-  
CHK

KA-  
CHK

KA-  
CHK

**HOLD THE  
SKATE-  
BOARD  
UNDER  
MY ARM...**

**RUN  
AT FULL-  
THROTTLE...**

\*SFX DASH

DON'T  
WORRY...

YOU  
HAD A  
BONER,  
REMEM-  
BER?!

IT'S A  
BONER  
!!



I'M SO  
ROYALLY  
SCREWED  
!!!



...OR  
NOT?







THAT SHINE SO  
BRIGHTLY ON  
THE THRESHOLD  
OF LIFE AND  
DEATH...

AND EVEN  
THOUGH  
I'VE WORKED  
SO HARD  
TO BECOME  
MORE LIKE  
THOSE STARS  
I ADMIRE...



ALL I GET  
IS THIS  
DARKNESS...

I CAN'T  
SHINE LIKE  
THEY CAN.



EVEN  
THOUGH  
I THOUGHT  
I HAD...

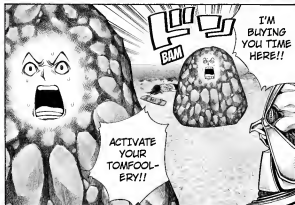
CLOSED  
THE  
DISTANCE  
BETWEEN  
US...



AND IN  
THE END,  
I...

I'LL DIE  
HERE...

IN THIS  
PREPOSTEROUS  
DARKNESS...





U-USHI-MITSU-KUN WOULDN'T LOSE TO SOMEONE LIKE YOU!!

AND I WOULD KNOW!!

\*SPK: GRIND GRIND GRIND



THAT HURT?

IF YOU BECOME MY NEXT MONKEY, I CAN STOP.

UWAA  
AAAA  
AAAA  
AAH!!

\*SPK: GRIND GRIND GRIND GRIND GRIND!!



WHAT AN IRRITATING GUY...

HEY, HEY...  
DON'T  
PRESSURE  
ME...



BECAUSE  
I AM  
USHI-MITSU-KUN'S  
STAR-GAZER  
!!!

I'VE  
BEEN  
WATCH-  
ING  
HIS  
EVERY  
MOVE!!



I TOLD  
YOU  
ALREADY.  
HE'S  
DEAD.  
YOU  
KNOW?

YES... SOME  
THINGS ARE  
JUST NOT  
POSSIBLE...



HUH...?







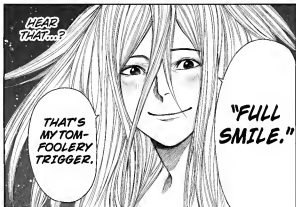












THE DAY  
YOU'VE BEEN  
LONGING  
FOR IS  
COMING...

HMP

TO THAT  
PERSON  
I WAS IN  
THE PAST, WHO  
PRACTICED  
SMILING ALL  
THE TIME AND  
STILL SUCKED  
AT IT...

IT'S  
PLANE-  
TARIUM  
TIME.

OKAY,  
EVERY-  
ONE...

YOU'LL  
FINALLY  
GET TO  
SMILE  
WHOLE-  
HEART-  
EDLY.

THIS IS THE EDITOR, T-YAI!  
A LONG TIME AGO, I BOUGHT A  
SPACE-POWERED CRYSTAL BALL  
FROM A STRANGE OLD MAN...  
IT STILL DECORATES MY HOME  
TO THIS DAY!

LET'S BOTH GIVE IT OUR BEST  
WITH OUR SPACE POWERS,  
USHIMITSUH!

TO BE CONTINUED...



ON THE  
KINTAROU  
SIDE OF  
THINGS...



# AS THE GODS WILL

THE SECOND SERIES



THE BEASTS THEIR FINAL ENEMY!  
AKASHI HAVING YET TO ACTIVATE  
HIS TOMPOOLERY. FIGHTS WITH  
THE BLADE HIS GOOD FRIEND  
MITSUKUM GAVE TO HIM

THIS  
SHOULD  
BE A  
BETTER  
VANTAGE  
POINT  
FOR US,  
RIGHT?

YEAH.

WE'LL  
BE ABLE TO  
SPOT HIM NO  
MATTER WHAT  
DIRECTION  
HE COMES AT  
US FROM.

WRITTEN BY  
MUNEYUKI KAMESHIRO

ART BY  
AKEMI FUJIMURA







I LOVE YOU  
AND LOVE  
YOU, AND I  
REALLY LOVE  
YOU!!



HUH?

...THING  
ON YOUR  
SHOULDER?



AN  
ENEMY  
?!

IT'S A  
BADDIE!!

UWAA-  
AAH!!



WHAT  
DO  
YOU  
MEAN?

HW?



I LOVE YOU  
AND LOVE  
YOU!!

SHE'S  
ONE OF  
THE MAIN  
CHARACTERS  
IN MY PIC-  
TURE BOOK.

IT LOOKS  
LIKE SHE  
CAME OUT  
FROM ONE  
OF MY  
SKETCHES.



OH!!  
HOLD  
UP!!

SHE  
WON'T  
HURT  
US!!

SHE'S  
ONE OF THE  
CHARACTERS  
I THOUGHT  
UP!!







SINCE THE  
STORY IS  
BASED ON  
MY LIFE  
EXPERI-  
ENCES...

I WAS  
ABLE TO  
WRITE  
IT...

THANKS  
TO YOU...  
AKASSHI,  
YAE-CHAN,  
AND EVERY-  
ONE I'VE  
MET.

IT'S A  
MESSAGE  
TO MY OLD  
SELF...

...WHO  
COULDN'T  
DO ANYTHING  
RIGHT WHEN  
IT CAME  
TO LOVE...







AND EVEN  
BIGGER  
THAN HE  
WAS  
YESTER-  
DAY!!



H-  
HE'S  
HERE  
!!

**GRAH!!!**

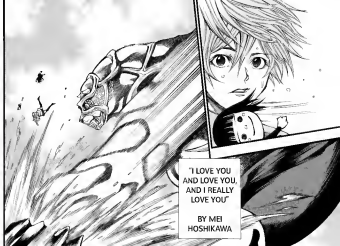


AND  
FASTER...

HUH?

**MEI-CHAN,  
BEHIND  
YOU....!!**





"I LOVE YOU  
AND LOVE YOU,  
AND I REALLY  
LOVE YOU"

BY MEI  
HOSHIKAWA



"I LOVE  
DRAWING  
PICTURES."

"I LOVE  
YOU."

BUT ALL  
OF THE  
THINGS  
SHE FELL  
IN LOVE  
WITH...



ONCE UPON  
A TIME,  
THERE WAS  
A LITTLE  
GIRL...

WHO  
FELL IN  
LOVE WITH  
EVERY-  
THING  
AT FIRST  
SIGHT.

SHAT-  
TERED  
INTO  
PIECES.



SHE  
BECAME  
AFRAID OF  
FALLING  
IN LOVE...

AND  
CHOSE  
TO BE  
ALONE.



IT WAS  
THEN THAT  
SHE MET  
SOME-  
ONE...



CHOMP

"WHY  
DON'T YOU  
SHATTER?"  
SHE  
ASKED.

A LITTLE  
BOY WHO  
WOULDN'T  
SHATTER  
EVEN IF  
SHE LOVED  
HIM.

"I CAN'T  
SHATTER!"

"WHY?"  
SHE ASKED  
AGAIN.

"I LIVE  
MY LIFE  
FOR  
THEIR  
SAKE..."

"THERE  
ARE  
PEOPLE  
I WANT  
TO SEE..."

"...AND  
I'VE GOT  
FRIENDS  
THAT I  
WANT TO  
PROTECT.



"BECAUSE  
I LOVE  
THEM  
ALL."



SO THE  
LITTLE GIRL  
GAVE HER  
LOVE TO  
THE LITTLE  
BOY...



THE  
LITTLE  
GIRL  
REALIZED

"LOVE  
ISN'T  
FOR OUR-  
SELVES,

"IT'S  
SOMETHING  
WE GIVE TO  
OTHERS..."



AAH...

AND THE  
LITTLE BOY  
GAVE HIS  
IN RETURN.

AAAAH

...!!



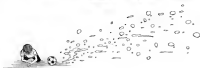
"I LOVE YOU  
AND LOVE  
YOU, AND  
I REALLY  
LOVE YOU"  
WAS BORN.



NEE-  
GAL

WITH  
HER LOVE  
AND HIS  
LOVE COMBI-  
NED...









***YOU CAN'T FIND IT ALONE...***











# AS THE GODS WILL

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